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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Yesterday's session of the House was devoted to eulogies upon the late Vice President Hobart. —— General Warren was forced to abandon Spion Kop; grave fears are expressed for the safety of Ladysmith. —— Wm. J. Bryan met with a great reception at Smyrna, Del., and addressed a large audience. —— Steamer Jamestown, of the Old Dominion Line, is ashore near Lambert's Point. —— Hester reports 7,256 941 bales of the new crop of cotton brought into sight, against 8,954 744 for the same time last year. —— Mrs. Mark Denton struck by a railroad train at Tarboro and killed; her son and John Manning injured. —— New York markets: Money on call easier at 2@3 per cent., last loan at 2 per cent.; cotton quiet, middling uplands 8c; flour advanced 5@10c with wheat; wheat—spot strong, No. 2 red 76½c; corn—spot steady, No. 2 40½c; oats—spot quiet, No. 2 29½c; rosin steady, strained common to good $1 62½@1 65; spirits turpentine firm at 53½@54.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 26.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 35 degrees; 8 P. M., 38 degrees; maximum, 43 degrees; minimum, 34 degrees; mean, 39 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, —; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 6.13 inches.

Stage of water at Fayetteville 11.7 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—For North Carolina: Fair and continued cold Saturday; Sunday warmer; increasing cloudiness, with rain in western portion; fresh northerly winds.

Port Almanac—Jan. 27.

Sun Rises	7.03 A. M.
Sun Sets	5 22 P. M.
Day's Length	10 H. 19 M.
High Water at Southport	4 35 P. M.
High Water, Wilmington	7.05 P. M.

New York is now to have a $500,000 hotel where women who support themselves can get nice accommodations at reasonable rates.

The season at Monte Carlo is proceeding briskly. There have been seventeen suicides so far, four of them women, and the crop is not all harvested yet.

Gen. Otis says he needs subordinate officers, but what Otis really needs is some fellow who will relieve him of the necessity of thinking and planning plans that will not pan out.

An actress is suing actor Mansfield for damages because he, in a play, hugged her so hard that she could hardly breathe. Perhaps he didn't see what she wanted to breathe in play for.

Between June 4th and December 4th there 296 cases of the bubonic plague in Portugal, of which 107 were fatal. Of these cases 293, and 106 of the deaths, were in the Oporto district.

The bore is a fellow who talks other people to death, but the South Africa Boer is the fellow who from behind rock, &c., bores big holes in the British who venture near enough to be bored.

Notwithstanding the great slaughter of Boer troops, according to British reports, according to these same British reports the Boer armies have increased from 40,000 or 50,000 to 80,000 or 90,000 men. If that is the effect that British killing has, the Boers can stand it.

Ex-Congressman Colson, of Kentucky, who killed three men in that Frankfort shooting bout, is an exceedingly mild-mannered, easy-going gentleman. That's the sort of a gentleman that it will not do to rile, especially when he carries a hip-pocket equipment.

James H. Bird, of New York, is after James H. Bird of Chicago, because James H. Bird of Chicago wrote his name on a check payable to James H. Bird of New York, and pocketed the cash. He was the early bird in this case, but the other bird is going for him.

The Italian residents of Cleveland, Ohio, want the Italian language taught in the public schools and think they have as much right to have it as the Germans to have German taught. When they can do as much voting as the Germans can they may talk to some purpose.

Count Castellane has changed his mind. Instead of jumping upon and walloping the *Figaro* editor when he gets back to Paris he is going to sue him for 100,000 francs damages. A verdict for that amount would probably damage the *Figaro* man a good deal more than Castellane's cane would. And then the editor might not agree to take the caning, which might make it unpleasant for Count Boni.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The revenue cutter *Algonquin* sailed at 11 o'clock yesterday morning for another cruise. She will probably be gone several days.

— The hard and dip grades of crude turpentine scored an advance on the local market yesterday. The quotations were steady at $1.75@3.00.

— Rev. R. H. Herring, pastor of Southside Baptist church, will be the special speaker at the men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. to-morrow afternoon.

— City Clerk and Treasurer B. F. King is mailing to each delinquent taxpayer a card giving notice that after January 31st, he will proceed to levy on personal property according to law.

— All the upper Cape Fear and Black River steamboats were in port yesterday from their respective runs and cleared in the afternoon for the return. The *Seabright* also arrived in port from Little River, S. C., and will clear early Sunday morning for the return.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. M. Jeffries, of Durham, is in the city.

— Mr. R. E. Cooke, of Scotland Neck, is here on business.

— Mr. N. Sidbury, of Scott's Hill, is here, making business calls.

— Mr. C. G. Talbird, of Richmond, arrived in the city yesterday.

— Col. W. S. Cook, mayor of Fayetteville, was in the city yesterday.

— John H. Gore, Esq., left yesterday for Clinton on professional business.

—Mr. H. E. Gormley, of Charlotte, was among yesterday's arrivals in the city.

— Mr. A. H. Harris, of Charlotte, was a guest of The Orton yesterday.

— Mr. G. F. Melvin, of Elizabethtown, was a passenger on the *Hurt* yesterday.

— Mr. A. B. Croom, of Burgaw, came down to the city on business last evening.

— Hon. R. T. Bennett, of Wadesboro, was in the city on professional business yesterday.

— Mr. W. M. Thompson, of Richlands, came over to the city last evening on business.

— Mr. H. C. Bear has returned from an extended business visit in the interest of his house.

— Mr. W. Buckner, route agent of the Southern Express Company, spent yesterday in the city.

— Mr. V. Sidbury of Holly Ridge, come over to the city last night and will call on the merchants to day.

— Mr. Jack Greer, of Cronly, came down yesterday and left last night for Chapel Hill to enter the University law school.

— The STAR is glad to learn that Sheriff S. G. Wooten, of Bladen county, is on the road to recovery after a critical illness of typhoid malaria.

— Mr. W. H. Hardgrove, representing Messrs. Boltz, Clymer & Co., the well known cigar manufacturers of Philadelphia and San Francisco, was here calling on the trade yesterday.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

D. L. Gore—Oats and meal.
Geo. R. French & Sons.—Shoes.
J. W. Plummer, Jr.—Your wants.

WILL BE PAID SOON.

New Hanover School Fund Will Receive $1,160.22 of the Appropriation.

Sheriff MacRae and County Treasurer H. McL. Green are in receipt of a letter from State Treasurer Worth, in which he states that he has decided to cash the warrants drawn in favor of the several counties of the State for their amount of the direct appropriation of $100,000 made by the Legislature to the school fund.

The plan is to cash the warrants as they come in from counties whose 1899 State taxes are paid in full. The letter authorizes the sheriffs, who have sufficient funds in hand to settle with the State in full, to cash the warrants for their respective counties and send same to him at once on their tax account.

New Hanover's pro-rate of the amount set apart by the Legislature is $1,160 22 and will add materially to the fund already in hand for the public schools.

Clam Dealers Welcome It.

The warm weather that prevailed during the latter part of last week and the first of this, paralyzed the clam business, so dealers say, but with the cold snap which came on yesterday things are expected to brighten up a bit with the diggers and dealers. This industry within the past few years has grown to be quite an item in Wilmington's commercial growth and is increasing every year.

Elbert R. Partridge Dead.

Mr. Elbert R. Partridge, of Jonesboro, N. C., who is well remembered by old residents of Wilmington and Fayetteville, died at his home yesterday morning about 11 o'clock at the advanced age of 88 years. A correspondent writing from Jonesboro yesterday says, that he was connected with the steamboat business here before the war with Mr. J. D. Williams.

THE SMALLPOX CASES.

Many People Being Vaccinated—Situation Not Regarded Serious—Suspected Case from Masonboro.

There was practically nothing new yesterday in the matter of the smallpox conditions in the city and people generally do not regard the situation as serious. The patients and suspects in the pest house, all of whom are negroes, passed a quiet day and it is confidently believed by those well qualified to knows that there is nothing that encourages the least fear of an epidemic.

There were few applicants at the Health office yesterday for free vaccination, though the private physicians in the city "bared many arms" and gave cautious persons the one effectual preventative of the disease known to medical science and recommended by experts.

Dr. McMillan, Superintendent of of Health, and Capt. Green, chief quarantine officer, are on the *qui vive* for other cases that may crop out in the city and upon the whole they have no time to waste. Dr. McMillan makes frequent visits to the house of detention and Capt. Green is especially vigilant in seeing that the isolation measures are being properly enforced.

Suspected Case from Masonboro.

Yesterday afternoon a telephone message from the residence of ex-Sheriff Hewlett on Masonboro Sound to the Health Office, requested that a physician be sent down from the city to diagnose the case of a colored woman named Martha Shaw, who was stopping with a negro family near Mr. Hewlett's place.

Dr. Richard J. Price and Dr. W. H. Lippitt, acting assistant surgeon at the Marine Hospital, went down about 3 o'clock, and upon their recommendation the Shaw woman and the man and wife with whom she was stopping were brought up to the outskirts of the city and sent to the pest house. The suspected woman had pustular eruption of the face and had been in that condition, she said, since Saturday. The negro and his wife with whom she was stopping are detained as a precautionary measure.

WILBUR-KIRWIN COMPANY.

Complimentary Press Notice by Post, of Raleigh, Where They Played This Week—The Performance.

The sale of seats for the Wilbur-Kirwin performances begin this morning at Gerken's. The opening bill Monday night will be "The Two Vagabonds." Wilbur's version of "Erminie."

Regarding the amusement afforded by this popular company of entertainers, the Raleigh *Post* of the 25th inst. says:

"The Wilbur-Kirwin Opera Company sang the 'Chimes of Normandy' at the Academy of Music last night to a delighted and appreciative audience. The company is growing in favor all the while and the production last night was highly creditable.

"Miss Susie Kirwin interpreted the part of Serpolette most delightfully, singing in splendid voice as usual. Miss Alice Hare, who was cast as Gertrude, is charming of face and figure, and made a most pleasant impression. Miss Baxter was very good as Germaine.

"Mr. E. A. Clark, as the Marquis of Coneville, was an unqualified success. His magnificent voice was heard to splendid effect. Harold Gordon as 'Jean Grenicheux' filled every requirement of the character. J. Clarence Harvey took the part of the notary, and while his stay on the stage was brief, he was inimitably funny. The little comedian grows on one with acquaintance. Charles A. Fuller made an admirable Baili. Arthur E. Kronor did a clever piece of acting as 'Gaspard, the Miser.'

"The chorus, which is composed of pretty and attractive girls, was strong and effective in the many tuneful choruses.

Y. M. C. A. SWIMMING POOL.

Active Steps for Its Early Installation—$300 Available for This Purpose from Philanthropic Gentlemen.

The STAR yesterday referred to the very philanthropic donation by a Wilmington gentleman of an amount of money sufficient to establish in connection with the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium a swimming pool for the use of members. The pool will be quite a valuable addition to the gymnasium and though the Association members do not even know the name of the donor it is appreciated by them none the less.

The amount is $300 and arrangements are being made for its early use by the gymnasium committee to whom the matter has been referred, with instructions to have plans drawn at once and let the contract for its installation. The committee is composed of Messrs. C. C. Brown, (chairman), J. T. King, W. R. Taylor, N. N. Davis and John Frank. They will have a meeting early in the coming week and definite plans will be set on foot for the beginning of the work.

The pool will be fitted up in the basement of the building.

Skuld Again in Port.

The Norwegian steamship *Skuld*, 913 tons, Captain Olsen, of the "Sprunt Line," arrived in port yesterday from Ghent, Belgium, on her third trip this season for a cargo of cotton. She carries exceptionally large cargoes for her build and makes fast time. She sailed this time from Ghent on January 5th, and has already taken a berth at the Champion Compress, from whence she will soon sail again with cotton for the foreign trade.

THE SUPERIOR COURT SESSION YESTERDAY.

Day Was Taken Up in Hearing Complicated Railroad Suit Involving the Title to Railroad Stock.

The proceedings of the Superior Court yesterday were of very little public interest, the day having been consumed for the most part by argument in the case of Rev. Edward Wootten against the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, reference to which will be made later.

In the case of the Fourth National Bank of Atlanta vs. Mrs. Lucy J. Farriss, judgment was given the plaintiff in the amount asked for. The attorneys in the case were Iredell Meares, Esq., for the plaintiff and Herbert McClammy and A. J. Marshall, Esqr's, for the defendant.

The plaiatiff in the case of Rev. Mr. Wootten against the railroad company sues for $15,000. It is contended that twenty shares of stock left in trust to Mrs. Wootten, having been sold absolutely, the sale is not valid in law except as affecting a life interest; Messrs. Bellamy & Peschau are counsel for the plaintiff, and Junius Davis, Esq., and George Rountree, Esq., for the defendant company. Argument was concluded at 6 o'clock last evening.

The session for to-day promises to be as devoid of general interest as the session yesterday. The only case set for a hearing is that of H. A. Burr vs. T. Frank Simmons. Messrs. Meares and McClammy appear for the plaintiff and defendant respectively.

No special jury has been summoned for to day, but the following list composes the regular jury summoned for next week:

M. M. Parker, C. N. Brewer, J. C. Haar, Robt. Carter, J. H. Johnson, H. M. Chase, W. H. McEachern, E. Rehder, W. F. Ketchum, W. H. Darden, Jr., J. R. Bear, Jno. H. Hardin, J. O. Shingleton, W. F. Brittain, E. Peschau, J. T. Hawkins, J. F. Rulfs, Sr., J. B. Huggins, George Hudson, N. Jacobi, M. W. Jacobi, F. J. Moore, D. S. Bender, C. E. Goodwin.

AN AWFUL FALL.

An Old Colored Man Went Headlong Into the Coal Pit at the Atlantic Coast Line Chute.

At the Atlantic Coast Line coal chute yesterday afternoon about 2 o'clock, while the Norwegian steamer *Skuld*, of the Sprunt line, was being coaled, Warren Larrington, an old colored man, was on the chute wharf watching the operation. In the wharf is a pit about ten feet deep and ten feet square into which coal is dumped from cars and then hoisted ninety feet high in a big iron bucket into the bin of the chute. At the top of the chute is a car which carries coal and automatically dumps it into a hopper so it can be loaded into a vessel, and while looking upward at the moving car the old man, forgetting about the pit in front of him, thoughtlessly walked into it. He fell to the bottom with great violence, striking the big iron bucket at the bottom, breaking his right thigh and receiving a terrible incision over the left eye, cutting the flesh to the frontal bone. He was picked up in an unconscious condition and taken from the pit, and Dr. E. J. Nixon, one of the Coast Line surgeons, was called to him. After giving the old man attention, he was sent to his home on Sixth and Red Cross streets.

After Larrington had been taken to to his home Dr. D. W. Bulluck, Atlantic Coast Line surgeon, was summoned and he had the old man removed to the city hospital where his thigh was set and his wounds were dressed. At 10 o'clock last night he had considerably improved.

Larrington is not employed by the Coast Line but is a stevedore in the employ of Col. Roger Moore.

Cotton and Naval Stores.

The following report of the receipts of cotton and naval stores at the port of Wilmington for the week ending yesterday and past crop year with those of corresponding periods last year was posted yesterday at the Produce Exchange as follows:

Week ended January 26th, 1900—Cotton, 6,108 bales; spirits, 376 casks; rosin, 7,743 barrels; tar 2,929 barrels; crude, 206 barrels.

Week ended January 26th, 1899—Cotton, 3,387 bales; spirits, 258 casks; rosin, 4,890 barrels; tar 2,704 barrels; crude, 177 barrels.

Crop year to January 26th, 1900—Cotton, 227,554 bales; spirits, 27,857 casks; rosin, 135,044 barrels; tar, 59,324 barrels; crude, 10,950 barrels.

Crop year to January 26th, 1899—Cotton, 278,959 bales; spirits, 26,846 casks; rosin, 141,153 barrels; tar, 58,443 barrels; crude, 10,351 barrels.

A noticeable feature of the statement is the appreciable gain in the weekly receipts of cotton over last year, which has already been remarked upon in these columns. The crop year gain in spirits turpentine in favor of this season is also noticeable.

Distinguished Pythian Here.

Hon. John C. Burns, of Ohio, Chairman of the finance committee of the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, arrived in the city last evening and is the guest of Capt. T. D. Meares, Supreme Master of Exchequer. Mr. Burns is in the city on one of his annual visits in the interest of the Supreme Lodge.

Do you want 2,000 or 3,000 old newspapers at your own price? If so, call at the STAR office. They make a cheap wrappingpaper †

AT TILESTON YESTERDAY.

The Class of 1900 Met Yesterday Afternoon—Society Meetings and Election of Officers.

The Society of the Class of 1900, of the Tileston High School, met in their hall yesterday at 1.30 P. M. The president, Miss Annie May Newbury, presided, and Mr. J. Edwin Bunting, the secretary, took the minutes.

After a well rendered piano solo by Mr. James Craft, Miss Janie Williams read a short story that was greatly appreciated, as was shown by the applause given her.

The society adopted this as the motto of the graduating class of 1900: "Wissenschaft Ist Vermongen."

The design for the class prize was next selected. It was drawn by Mr. James B. Lynch, the class artist. It will be a silver pin with a red background, decorated with a wreath of white and lettered "W. T. VOO" in the centre.

The E. O. Society.

The E. O. Society held its regular monthly meeting at the Tileston High School yesterday.

That being the day for the election of officers, the following were chosen: President, William Hall; Vice President, Louis Cole; Secretary, Calvin Blackwell, Jr.; Treasurer, Miss Emily Hall.

The following programme was then rendered: "Sketch on Life of Raphael," Louis Moore; "Poem on Raphael's Madona," Miss Margaret Nash; "Humorous Reading," Miss May Belle Taylor; "Sketch of Michael Angelo," Miss Irene Peterson; "Michael Angelo's Moses," A. Dick Dunn.

The Utopian Society.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Utopian Literary Society of the school the following officers were elected:

President, D. Archie Bullock; Vice President, Miss Ida Browne; Secretary and Treasurer, E. P. Bailey, Jr.; Monitor, Miss Jennie Burbank; Critic, Miss Mary Cantwell.

After the election of officers the following programme was rendered and enjoyed very heartily.

"Sketch of Eugene Eield," Miss Lucy McEachern; recitation, "Little Boy Blue," Julius Webster.

TAXATION IN CITIES AND TOWNS.

Rate is Higher in Wilmington Than at Any Place in the State.

[*Raleigh Post.*]

The rate of taxation per $100 for 1899, in the various towns and counties in the State have been compiled by Mr. Henry Clay Brown, the efficient secretary to the Corporation Commission.

There is quite a variance in the taxation rates in the different cities as well as in the counties, and the figures make an interesting study.

While reports have not been received from all cities and counties, the returns are very nearly complete, and enables satisfactory comparisons.

Wilmington leads all cities in the State in the rate of taxation, the amount being $1.75 per $100. Greensboro and Statesville come next with tax rates of $1 30, and Raleigh is third with a rate of $1 23 1 3 The tax rate in Charlotte is only $1.00, and it is the same in Fayetteville.

In other places the tax rate is as follows: Henderson and Concord 90, Salisbury 85, Monroe 80, Elizabeth City 75, Newbern 72½, Warrenton 65, Goldsboro, Greenville and Rocky Mount 60, Wilson 33 1 3, Wake Forest 35, Pittsboro 10, High Point 66 2 3.

For the Star.

A MOULDER OF PUBLIC OPINION.

The rapid rise and recognition of Mr. J. W. Bailey, of Raleigh, editor of the *Biblical Recorder*, as one of he distinct shapers of public opinion, amounts almost to the marvellous. This brilliant young man is just past twenty-five and every public man of the State reads what he says each week on moral, religious, educational and semi-political subjects. He is not a preacher—only a very live layman, yet he occupies the first pulpits of the State in discussing Christian education and cognate topics. He will occupy the pulpit of the First Baptist church to-morrow morning.

SENATOR JNO. W. DANIEL.

Will Speak in Opposition to the Pritchard Resolution.

[*Special to Richmond Dispatch.*]

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 25.—Senator John W. Daniel will address the Senate in opposition to the Pritchard resolution regarding the proposed suffrage amendment in North Carolina. The request that he should do so, I understand, comes from the Democrats of North Carolina.

Senator Daniel is well equipped and qualified to answer Senator Pritchard's criticisms of the people of the South. He has given the question of negro suffrage close study, and made observations which will stand him in good stead when he speaks in defence of the people of the South for having eliminated the illiterate negro from politics. He has not yet announced when he will deliver his address.

Charged With Stealing Flat.

Luke Pigford, colored, was before Justice McGowan yesterday charged with the larceny of a river flat from John Sutton. Herbert McClammy, Esq., appeared for the defendant, and it was proved that during last October the flat in question broke loose from its landing up the river, in Bladen county, and floated down the river, where it was subsequently picked up and sold to Luke. The defendant was discharged, and as he had spent $45 in repairs to the flat he was allowed to retain the property.

If you wish to sell a farm or city property place it in the hands of the East Carolina Real Estate Agency. R. G. Grady & Co., Burgaw, N. C. †

THE COAST LINE CHUTE.

First Steamship Coaled Yesterday Afternoon—Norwegian Steamship Skuld Took on 300 Tons of Coal.

The Atlantic Coast Line coal chute, recently completed, coaled its first vessel yesterday afternoon. The ship was the Norweigan steamer *Skuld* which took on a cargo of 300 tons of Pocahontas coal. It required only eight hours to do the work, but after everything gets to working smoothly a vessel can be coaled in much less time.

The chute is 90 feet high. A big iron bucket, which carries up a ton at a time, hoists the coal from the pit on the wharf, into which it is first unloaded from a train of coal cars, and when the bucket is carried by a cable to the top of the chute it automatically dumps into a car which runs out and also automatically dumps into the weighing hopper, where the weight is registered and the coal then chuted into the vessel from the height above.

To City Subscribers.

City subscribers are earnestly requested to report promptly at the STAR office every failure of the carriers to deliver their papers. In all such cases steps will be taken to insure prompt and regular delivery

— Mr. S. F. Elkers, New York, is among the travelling men in the city.

Church Notices.

Bladen Street Methodist Church: Rev. J. J. Porter will preach at 11 A. M., and at the evening service.

Immanuel Church: Services at 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. by Rev. Edward E. Lane. Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 7.30. Sunday School at 3.30 P. M.

Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Sixth and Queen streets. There will be the usual services on Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday School at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Fifth Street M. E. Church, South, Rev. J. H. Hall, pastor. Services at 11 A. M. and 8.15 P. M. every Sunday. Sunday School at 3.30 P. M. Prayer meeting at 8.15 P. M. Wednesdays.

Regular religious services at Seamen's Bethel will be conducted to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev Milton A Barber. Seamen and rivermen are especially invited. All are welcome.

Southside Baptist Church, corner Fifth and Wooster streets, Rev. R. H. Herring, pastor. Services 11 o'clock A. M. and 7 30 P. M. Sunday School at 3 P. M. Prayer meeting service every Wednesday night at 8 o'clock.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, corner Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. Alex. D. McClure, pastor. Sabbath services at 11 A. M. and 7 30 P. M. Sabbath school at 3.30 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday 8 P. M. The public cordially invited. Seats free.

Second Advent Baptist Church, between Castle and Church streets. Preaching by the pastor, Eld. F. E. Fisher, at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M.; Sunday School at 4 P. M. Frayer meetings Tuesday and Friday nights at 8. Strangers and visitors cordially invited. Seats free.

First Presbyterian Church: Divine service at 11 A. M. and 7.0 P. M conducted by Rev. Dr. McPheeters, of Columbia Theological Seminary, S. C. Sunday school at 3.30 P. M. Prayer meeting on Thursdays at 8 P. M. conducted by Rev. Edward E. Lane. The public is cordially invited.

Brooklyn Baptist Church, corner Fourth and Brunswick streets Rev. J. J. Payseur pastor. Services to-morrow at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Sunday school at 3.30 P. M Weekly prayer and praise meeting Wednesday at 8 P. M. Strangers and visitors are cordially invited to all services.

Grace M. E. Church, corner of Grace and Fourth streets. Pastor, Rev. J. N. Cole. Services Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday School, J. H. Davis, supt., 3.30 p. m. Weekly prayer meeting Wednesday at 8.00 p. m. A cordial welcome to all. Visitors to the city especially invited. Seats free.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

IT IS A MISTAKE

As stated in yesterday's "Messenger," that there are no Business Houses FOR RENT One of the most desirable stores in the city now occupied by Fishblate Clothing Company

will be vacant from Oct. 1st.

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Thirteenth Series.

Books of Subscription are now open for the Thirteenth Series of the N. C. Home Building Association. First Instalment payable Saturday, February Third.

FRANK H. STEDMAN, Secretary and Treasurer.
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OATS AND MEAL.

800 bushels White & Black Seed Oats.
700 bushels Red Rust Proof Oats.
1000 bushels Feed Oats.
500 bushels Water Ground Meal.

Two Wagons and One Horse and Mule for sale.

D. L. GORE CO.,
ja 19 tf 120-124 North Water street.

It Is Here Your Wants Find Fulfillment.

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IN MALAGA GRAPES,
CALIFORNIA PEARS,
SWEET JAMAICA ORANGES,
ASPINWALL BANANAS,

and a choice assortment of fine Candies, second to none in the city.

J. W. PLUMMER, Jr.,
ja 27 tf 204 Princess street.

YOUR EYES NEED

Competent, careful, painstaking and pain saving attention, if they need any.

The lids of the human eye, in the discharge of their natural functions open and close no less than ten million times each year.

We need on y to observe present day eyes, to be positive, many poor abused ones are working overtime. The possessors are so careless of this priceless organ that they allow it to go, day after day, ye r after year, ignoring innumerable warnings which tired nature so kindly vouchsafes Endurance is a virtue, in use, but not in abuse.

DINGELHOEF BROS., Scientific Opticians,
ja 21 tf Parlor No. 128 Market street.

THIRD STREET.

CUMMING,
ja 24 tf Real Estate and Notary.

Bicycles.

Bicycles for sale, new second-hand, from $8.00 to $40.00. Bicycles, Guns, Locks and Pistols repaired. All work guaranteed. Sundries marked way down. M. & W. Tires at $6.50 per pair. Guaranteed Single Tube Tires at $6.00. M. & W. Inner Tube $1.25 each Twentieth Century Lamps $2.00; others cheaper Foot Pumps 50c. Hand Pumps 20c, Bells 25c. Oils, Cements, Graphite grips, Spokes, Bells, Valves, all cheap.

The Seabon Automatic Gas Lamp for sale or rent. Call and see them at

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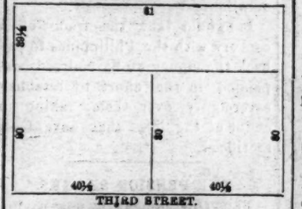

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MOON'S PHASES.

New Moon	1	8:52 a. m.	Full Moon	15	2:07 p. m.
First Quarter	8	0:40 a. m.	Third Quarter	23	4:52 p. m.
New Moon	30	8:23 p. m.			

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

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HOW ABOUT THE FLAG THEORY?

Since the McKinley Administration has entered upon the policy of forcible expansion we have heard much about how "trade follows the flag." Of course more or less trade follows the flag, but for much of it to follow the flag there must be inducements offered with which the flag has nothing to do. As far as trade goes the flag represents only so much bunting, bought for so much a yard, to put it in the way that Admiral Dewey is said to have replied to that German Admiral in the harbor of Manila. As forcibly illustrating this, while presenting some interesting and suggestive figures, we quote the following from the Washington correspondence of the Charleston *News and Courier*. Speaking of the commercial race between Great Britain and the United States the writer says:

Great Britain shows a 'nose ahead' at the 1899 quarter pole in the neck and-neck race between the United Kingdom and the United States for supremacy in the world's export trade. Domestic exports from the United Kingdom in 1899, according to official reports just received by the treasury bureau of statistics, were $1,287,971 000, while those from the United States were $1,253,486,000, making a difference of thirty-four million dollars in favor of the United Kingdom in the year's exportation of domestic products. Compared, however, with relative conditions at the 1875 quarter pole the record of 1899 must prove quite gratifying to the average American citizen. In 1875 the exports of domestic merchandise from the United Kingdom were $1,087,497 - 000, against $497 263,737 from the United States, her excess over the United Stated at that time being $590 - 233,000, against thirty four million dollars in 1 99. From 1875 to 1899 Great Britain's domestic exports increased from $1,087,497,000 to $1,287,- 971 000 or 19 per cent., while those from the United States increased from $497 263,737 to $1,253 486,000, an increase of 152 per cent. Adding to the domestic exports of each country those brought in from other parts of the world and re exported, we find that the total exports of the United Kingdom, including "domestic, foreign and colonial," were in 1875, $1. 370,465 000, and in 1899, $1,640 388,674 an increase of 20 per cent; and those from the United States, including "domestic and foreign," were in 1875. $510,947,422, and in 1899, $1,275,486, 641, an increase of 150 per cent.

"Turning to the import side of the account, the figures are equally interesting. Great Britain's imports in 1875 were $1,319,779,000, and in 1899, $2,360,620,000, while those of the United States, which, in 1875, were $503,152,936, were in 1899, $799,834 - 620. A comparison of the import figures with those of total exports shows an excess of exports from the United States in every year during the last twenty five years, except 1888, and in the case of the United Kingdom an excess of imports in every year during that period. In the case of the United States the excess of exports over imports in 1875 was $7.794,486 and in 1899 it was $475,652 021, while in the case of the United Kingdom the excess of imports over exports was in 1875, $449,314,000 and in 1899, $756,231,315. During the twenty five years under consideration the foreign commerce account of the United States shows a total excess of exports over imports amounting to $3 970,564,000, while that of the United Kingdom shows an excess of imports over exports amounting to $14,489,004,000."

These figures tell their own story, point their own moral and effectually explode the theory about trade following the flag. Great Britain is the greatest colonizer in the world; she is not only a great colonizer, but has a passion for land-grabbing equalled by no other nation in the world. She was a great commercial nation when the United States were in their infancy as such, when they exported little if anything but breadstuffs, and yet within the memory of living men this country has become the great commercial rival of Great Britain, almost neck-to-neck with her now, with every indication that within a year or so it will lead her.

She has another rival—Germany—which has made phenomenal progress within the past twenty years, developing from an almost purely agricultural into a great manufacturing nation.

The United States had no colonies, their flag was seldom seen upon the seas or in other lands, but they have been building up their commerce right along and snatching trade away from British traders even under the British flag and in the very colonies that British greed, British money and British adventure founded.

Germany has few colonies, too few to be worth counting in this connection, and yet German trade has grown and snatched business away from the British tradesmen, even under their own flag and in their own country.

The flag had nothing to do with the growth of America's trade nor with the growth of Germany's trade. They both grew for reasons with which the flag had nothing to do, but with which enterprise, energy and skill had everything to do. They put upon the markets of the world better articles for as little or less money than their English competitors could and they captured trade without any flag in it. The flag is all right as far as it goes, and when it carries such goods as are wanted with it, and delivers them for less money than they can be gotten from other quarters, trade will go with it, but otherwise it doesn't amount to a row of pins as a trade propeller.

Instead of becoming greater Great Britain's trade will become less; instead of becoming less the trade of the United States will become greater, for the steady growth in recent years is indicative of steady growth for some years to come, even if in the future, as it has been for a generation, that trade has to be carried in foreign bottoms and under foreign flags.

And yet with such a splendid record of achievement and progress there are persons who cling to the delusion that trade follows the flag and that to become successful traders we must also become successful land grabbers, though it may cost us thousands of lives and millions of dollars to secure a firm grip on the land we grab. There are Englishmen who believe that Great Britain's greatest folly was her colony delusion, and there are thousands of Americans who believe that America's greatest folly is in trying to imitate Great Britain in her greatest delusion.

It would take the trade of a century with the Philippines to pay back the money we have already expended in the effort to establish sovereignty over them, taking no count of the lives that have been sacrificed.

THE PENSION SHARKS.

This Government is now paying $145,000,000 a year in pensions with every indication that this sum will be increased rather than diminished. And yet in the face of this scores of new pension bills have been introduced in this Congress which would swell the aggregate a couple hundred millions of dollars and some estimate as much as $500,000,000. Laying aside the frauds which have become so common and so stupendous under the present system, the tendency to increase this pension burden has evoked protest from many of the conservative papers of the North, one of which, the Philadelphia *Times*, issues the following remonstrance and warning:

"When it is understood that 26 000 claims for pensions arising from the war with Spain have already been presented to the government, and that most of them have been presented through pension sharks who personally addressed the soldiers and solicited them to make the application, the public may appreciate the extent of this villainy; and when the public learn that in the year 1898 these pension sharks drew from the pension office as part of the money paid to pensioners, $730 000, and that in the year 1899, Pension Commissioner Evans, by his earnest devotion to the interests of the soldiers, reduced the payments to the pension sharks to $476,969, it may be understood just why every pension shark of the country, and all the pensioners and pension applicants they can influence, are working systematically and unscrupulously to drive Pension Commissioner Evans from his office. There is not a charge made against him that is not to his credit. His only fault has been that he has liberally, patriotically and honestly administered the pension laws of the nation.

"The applications which are now coming in for pensions from soldiers who served in the Spanish war would be regarded as farcical if they did not present such a serious question for the government and the nation to consider. A single Massachusetts regiment that never was under fire; that spent but a short time at Santiago after the surrender of the Spanish army, has to-day 550 applications filed for pensions, or more than half of the entire number. This has been done chiefly or wholly by the pension sharks getting access to the rolls of the regiments and personally appealing to every soldier to make application for a pension, and the time has come when pensioners and pro pective pensioners and the friends of a liberal pension policy must look the issue squarely in the face. We must at once arrest the present profligate and fradulent control of our pensions by pension thieves posing as attorneys, or the country will rebel against the robbery and the hand of correction might strike far beyond the lines of justice. It is most unwise for pensioners, and the friends of pensioners, to force this issue upon the country."

The deserving soldier has no warmer friend or more zealous champion than the *Times*, which in this remonstrance is not striking the soldier but the unscrupulous schemers, who under pretence of friendship for the soldier are using him as a tool to promote their own prosperity. Many of these pension attorneys, who are legion, have grown rich out of the pension business, one of the Washington firms having made several millions out of it. These attorneys, or their representatives, figure in every gathering of soldiers, have organs which profess to be published in the interests of the soldiers, but really in their own interests, and they are at the bottom of and inspire nine-tenths of the swindling legislation by which the people are robbed and they are enriched. At times they have had practically absolute control of the pension business, and dictated its rulings, as they are now dictating resolutions passed by Grand Arm Posts, and bills offered in Congress. They are at the bottom of the clamor against Commissioner Evans, and the leading spirits in the efforts to secure his removal from the position he occupies and where he has made his presence offensive to them by exposing frauds and inaugurating reforms.

One of the first steps to reform is, as the *Times* suggests, to get the pension shark, the seductive attorney, out of the way, as the middleman between the pensioner and the Treasury. It is somewhat remarkable how rapidly and how generally the "patriot" is converted into the pension grabber.

ARE THEY GETTING SCARED?

In replying Thursday to Senator Allen, who arraigned the Republican party for its frequent violation of its pledges on the financial question, Senator Allison said he would undertake to show that the Senate amendments are so framed that "it will not be possible for any Secretary of the Treasury to impound the greenbacks, silver certificates or silver dollars." If Senator Allison succeeds in this he will pick the kernal out of the currency bill as far as the gold men go, for one of their main purposes was to get rid of the "endless chain," which they proposed to do in a roundabout way by authorizing, or rather requiring, the Secretary of the Treasury to impound the greenbacks that come into the Treasury.

Under the bill he was prohibited from re-issuing these greenbacks except in exchange for gold. He could not exchange them for silver dollars, nor for silver certificates, but for gold only. Every one knows that the holders of gold who desire to retire the greenbacks would contrive to get all they possibly could into the Treasury, and would see that they remained there unless there should be some extraordinary demand for paper money making it to their interest to take some of them out, when they might tender gold for them and get what they wanted. But under this arrangement they can absolutely impound the greenbacks and virtually destroy them.

This is one of the features of the bill that was opposed by some of the leading Republican organs, which object to locking up the greenbacks, and perhaps this has suggested to the Senate financiers the advisability of modifying that provision, if it has been modified. But it looks as if they might be getting scared at their own work.

BOOK NOTICES.

St. Nicholas for February is a beautiful and interesting number, handsomely illustrated and filled with choice reading matter that the young folks will much enjoy. Besides being entertaining this is a very instructive number. Published by The Century Company, Union Square, New York.

The Coin Publishing Company, of Chicago, has issued an interesting and valuable publication by W. H. Harvey, author of *Coin's Financial School*, entitled *Coin on Money, Trusts and Imperialism*, the object of which is to educate the people on the issues that will be presented in the next campaign. It is written in an attractive style and suggestively illustrated. Price 25 cents, bound in paper.

Two valuable publications have just been issued by the publishing house of G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York, one entitled "The Growth of Nationality in the United States," by John Bascom, a work that politicians, political students and economists may read with interest. The other is entitled "The Wheat Problem," by Sir William Crookes, of England, who has given much thought, study and investigation to the wheat problem and holds that the time is coming when the wheat area of the world will not be adequate to meet the world's demands for wheat, a contention in which he is supported by others who have made the wheat problem a study. They are both clearly printed on good paper, substantially bound. The first contains 208 pages, the second 255 pages. The price of each is $1.25.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—"Mad Methuen" may yet astonish his own coutrymen as well as the Boers with brilliant fighting. It will be recalled that at one time we had "Mad Anthony Wayne" in the American army.—*Savannah News, Dem.*

—When the average man finds himself securely intrenched in a good paying office, he begins to lecture his friends on the desirability of their remaining in private life. At the same time he doesn't hesitate to appoint his relatives to the trouble of which he discourses so fluently.—*Washington Post, Ind.*

—The engineers of the protectionist are now being concentrated on the plan for subsidies to American-built ships. The American shipbuilding interest has enjoyed the highest degree of protection in the exclusive privilege of supplying the coastwise trade. It has had a rebate on the imported materials for its products. It has grown to a point where it can and does compete in the building of war vessels for other nations. It is not content with this. It seeks from the taxpayers large subsidies. We are not aware of a single sensible and substantial reason why the taxpayers should be compelled to pay such contributions to any class, and especially to this class, which already enjoys peculiar monopoly.—*New York Times, Ind.*

Story of a Slave.

To be bound hand and foot for years by the chains of disease is the worst form of slavery. George D. Williams, of Manchester, Mich., tells how such a slave was made free. He says: "My wife has been so helpless for five years that she could not turn over in bed alone. After using two bottles of Electric Bitters, she is wonderfully improved, and able to do her own work." This supreme remedy for female diseases quickly cures nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, headache, backache, fainting and dizzy spells. This miracle working medicine is a godsend to weak, sickly, run down people. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50c. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. †

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—The Commercial Travelers' and Hotel Men's Anti-Trust League aims to bring to bear in the next Presidential campaign an organization having a strength of over $300,- 000 persons whose occupations are threatened and whose business is directly imperiled by the formation of trade combinations. The salesmen who no longer canvass for competing business establishments propose to do a little political canvassing for their own private account.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

—Nashville *Graphic*: We regret to chronicle the death of Mrs. Caroline Matilda Mann, which occurred at her home near Battleboro last Saturday morning, after a lingering illness. Mrs. Mann was 67 years old. —— The residence of Mr. W. H. Styles at Springhope was destroyed by fire Monday. Mr. Styles was at his work while his wife was out calling. The fire is supposed to have been the result of a defective flue.

—In the far West an editor wrote feverishly. "Liberty is dead!" were the burning words his pencil traced. Then he thought deeply. After a long while he added: "New York and Washington papers please copy."—*Detroit Journal.*

Prevented A Tragedy.

Timely information given Mrs. George Long, of New Straitsville, Ohio, prevented a dreadful tragedy and saved two lives. A frightful cough had long kept her awake every night. She had tried many remedies and doctors but steadily grew worse until urged to try Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle wholly cured her, and she writes this marvelous medicine also cured Mr. Long of a severe attack of pneumonia. Such cures are positive proof of the matchless merit of this grand remedy for curing all throat, chest and lung troubles. Only 50c and $1.00 Every bottle guaranteed. Trial bottles 10c at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

—Weldon *News*: Mr. Kenney Jordan, a well known citizen who lived in Northampton county, met with a fatal accident last Sunday. He was handling a pistol and in some way the weapon was accidentally discharged, the ball entering his body. Mr. Jordan died Monday from the effects of the wound.

—Greensboro *Telegram*: Jim Smith, the noted moonshiner of Stokes county, has made his last moonshine whiskey, killed his last man, made his last raid on moonshiners. He died last week from the effects of strong drink which he has used from young manhood. He was about 45 years old when the summons came.

—Rocky Mount *Motor*: The deceptive young man who has been travelling through this section, swindling the people by obtaining pictures and money in payment on the enlargement and framing of same, has been arrested and lodged in Nash county jail by Mr. J. S. Beal, of Nashville, N. C. Mr. Beal went to Richmond and found that the house this young man claimed to represent is a myth. The real name of the young man we withhold for very good reasons. He has been using the assumed name of Thomas.

—Wadesboro *Messenger-Intelligencer*: Wilson Allen and Jim Cash, two young colored men, were arrested on the charge of stealing $100 in gold and a watch from the office of Dr. W. A. Ingram, in this place. The theft was committed on Saturday night, on the 6th inst., entrance to the office being gained through the scuttle hole in the roof. Allen and Cash were arrested on suspicion, as they had both been painting in the office. They were separated at once and Allen confessed that he watched while Cash entered the office and secured the booty. He also said that Cash gave him a part of the money. Cash denied having any knowledge of the theft.

—Raleigh *News and Observer*: There is a possibility of Raleigh's having another knitting mill. At the old Rogers mill, some four miles northwest of the city, on Crabtree creek, there is a fine water power—sufficient, it is said, to run a factory of this kind.—— Commissioner of Agriculture Paterson and State Chemist Kilgore have returned from Edgecombe county, where they went to locate one of the farms for soil and fertilizer tests. They didn't locate it. When they got to Tarboro they found so many property owners anxious to have the farm located on their land, and so many of the sites offered possessing about equal advantages, that they were unable to decide.

TWINKLINGS.

— If the Chinese could shoot as well as the Boers, nobody would open their door without knockin.—*Puck.*

— An Exception—Father—"History repeats its lf." Son—"It don't in our school. They make us kids do it."—*Judge.*

—The Kind that Stays: "Our new cook has been with us three weeks now." "Yet you don't seem happy." "No; she can't cook."—*Chicago Record.*

— First M. D.—"What a lot of things have been found in the vermiform appendix." Second M. D.—"And look at the money that's been taken out of it!"—*Life.*

— Inequalities of Fate—"Carolus Duran won't paint a portrait for less than $4,000." "Dear me, and lots of artists who would paint one for 40 cents can't make a living."—*Indianapolis Journal.*

— "They make a thunderin' sight of fuss about the Chinese open door," remarked Uncle Jerry Peebles. "As far as I've noticed 'em the Chinese open door always leads into a laundry or an opium j'int."—*Chicago Tribune.*

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted.

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BAGGING—		
2 ℔ Jute	6½@	6¾
Standard	16½@	16¾
Burlaps	5 @	10¾
WESTERN SMOKED—		
Hams ℔ ℔	12¾ @	13
Sides ℔ ℔	7 @	7½
Shoulders ℔ ℔	7 @	7½
DRY SALTED—		
Sides ℔ ℔	6½@	6¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔	@	6
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—		
Second-hand, each	@	1 40
New New York, each	1 40@	1 50
New City, each	1 40@	1 50
BEESWAX ℔ ℔	@	24
BRICKS—		
Wilmington ℔ M	6 75 @	7 00
Northern	9 00 @	14 00
BUTTER—		
North Carolina ℔ ℔	18 @	20
Northern	23 @	25½
CORN MEAL—		
Per bushel, in sacks	46 @	47½
Virginia Meal	@	47½
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	1 25 @	1 30½
CANDLES—℔ ℔—		
Sperm	18 @	25
Adamantine	8 @	11
CHEESE—℔ ℔—		
Northern Factory	12 @	13
Dairy Cream	13½@	14
State	11½@	12
COFFEE—℔ ℔—		
Laguyra	13 @	16
Rio	9 @	11
DOMESTICS—		
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard	@	5½
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s	@	70
EGGS—℔ dozen	14 @	15
FISH—		
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00 @	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl	11 00 @	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00 @	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl	8 00 @	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	12 00 @	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 75 @	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	@	3 50
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00 @	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5 @	10
" Extra	4 25 @	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—		
Low grade	@	3 00
Choice	@	3 50
Straight	3 75 @	3 90
First Patent	4 25 @	4 50
GLUE—℔ ℔	10½@	11½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—		
Corn, from store, bgs—White	52 @	53½
Car-load, in bgs—White	@	50
Oats, from store	38 @	40
Oats, Rust Proof	@	45
Cow Peas	@	90
HIDES—℔ ℔—		
Green salted	@	6½
Dry flint	10 @	12½
Dry salt	@	19
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s—		
Clover Hay	75 @	80
Rice Straw	40 @	50
Eastern	90 @	1 00
Western	90 @	1 00
North River	80 @	85
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	@3½@	3½
LARD, ℔ ℔—		
Northern	7 @	8½
North Carolina	8 @	10
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15 @	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—		
Ship Stuff, resawed	13 00 @	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00 @	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00 @	18 00
Dressed Flooring, ceiling	18 00 @	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00 @	15 00
Common mill	5 00 @	6 50
Fair mill	6 50 @	8 00
Prime mill	8 50 @	10 00
Extra mill	10 00 @	15 00
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—		
Barbadoes, in hogshead	@	25
Barbadoes, in barrels	@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	28 @	30
Porto Rico, in barrels	25 @	30
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12 @	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14 @	15
Syrup, in barrels	15 @	25
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	2 95 @	3 00
PORK ℔ barrel—		
City Mess	11 50 @	12 00
Rump	11 50 @	12 00
Prime	11 00 @	11 50
ROPE ℔ ℔	10 @	22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum	@	1 25
Liverpool	90 @	95
American	85 @	90
On 192 ℔ Sacks	@	60
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00 @	6 50
Common	1 50 @	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50 @	2 75
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	5¾@	5¾
Standard A	4¾@	5
White Extra C	@	4¾
Extra C, Golden	@	4¾
C, Yellow	@	4¾
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3½@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00 @	14 00
R. O. Hogshead	@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M (see—Shipping	9 00 @	10 00
Mill, Prime	7 00 @	8 75
Mill, Fair	6 50 @	7 00
Common Mill	5 00 @	6 00
Inferior to ordinary	3 00 @	5 00
SHINGLES, N. C. Cypress sawed ℔ M 6x24 heart	7 50 @	8 50
Sap	5 00 @	6 00
5x20 Heart	5 00 @	6 00
" Sap	3 00 @	3 50
4x24 Heart	6 00 @	6 50
" Sap	5 00 @	5 50

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—137 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 9 barrels tar.

W. C. & A. Railroad—4 bales cotton, 6 casks spirits turpentine, 8 barrels rosin, 90 barrels tar.

A. & Y. Railroad—113 bales cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 17 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—90 bales cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 6 barrels rosin, 19 barrels tar.

Steamer E. A. Hawes—23 casks spirits turpentine, 550 barrels rosin, 40 barrels tar.

Steamer A. J. Johnson—226 barrels rosin, 18 barrels tar.

Steamer A. P. Hurt—17 bales cotton, 20 casks spirits turpentine, 39 barrels rosin, 148 barrels tar.

Total—Cotton, 351 bales; spirits turpentine, 58 casks; rosin, 829 barrels; tar, 341 barrels.

—Fayetteville *Observer*: Tuesday the little 4 year old son of Mrs Mattie Brown, a widow living at Hope Mills, was burned to death. The little fellow was playing with several other children in the yard of a neighbor named Johnson, around a bon fire, into which he accidentally fell, being so horribly burned that he died this morning after hours of fearful suffering.

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, Jan. 25.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 51½ cents per gallon for machine made casks and 51 cents per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.25 per bbl for strained and $1.30 for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.30 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market steady at $1.75 per barrel for hard, $3.00 for dip and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine firm at 41½@41c; rosin firm at 90@95c bid; tar steady at $1.10; crude turpentine firm at $1.35@2.40.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	58
Rosin	829
Tar	361
Crude turpentine	00

Receipts same day last year.—49 casks spirits turpentine, 1,070 bbls rosin, 331 bbls tar, 00 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market steady on a basis of 7½c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	5 1-16	cts ℔ lb
Good ordinary	6 7 16	" "
Low middling	7 1-16	" "
Middling	7½	" "
Good middling	7¾	" "

Same day last year middling 5½c.

Receipts—361 bales; same day last year, 464.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime 62½c. Extra prime, 67½c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 75c. Virginia—Prime, 55c; extra prime, 60c; fancy, 65c.

CORN—Firm: 52 to 52¼ cents per bushel for white,

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tidewater) 90c@$1.10; upland, 65@80c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 10 to 11c per pound; shoulders, 7 to 8c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five-inch hearts and saps, $2.25 to 3.25; six-inch, $4.00 to 5.00; seven-inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.50 to 9.00 per M

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 26.—Money on call easier at 2@3 per cent., last loan at 2 per cent., ruling rate — per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4½@5½ per cent. Sterling exchange firm; actual business in bankers' bills at 484¼@487½ for demand and 484¼@484¾ for sixty days. Posted rates were 485 and 488. Commercial bills at 483¼@483¾. Silver certificates 59¼ @60¼. Bar silver 59¾. Mexican dollars 47¾. Government bonds strong. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds easier. U. S. 2's, reg'd, 102½; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 109¼; do. coupon, 110; U.S new 4's, reg'd, 132¾; do. coupon, 133¾; U.S.old 4's, reg'd, 114½; do coupon, 114¾; U. S. 5's, registered, 112; do. coupon, 113¼; N. C. 6's 127,b; do. 4's, 106 b; Southern Railway 5's 107¾. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 59¾; Chesapeake & Ohio 29½; Manhattan L 93¾; New York Central 133¾; Reading 17¾; do. 1st preferred 50; St. Paul 117½; do. preferred 170; Southern Railway 11⅝; do. preferred 53½; American Tobacco, 99¼; do. preferred 135; People's Gas 103¾; Sugar 115⅝; do. preferred 112½; T. C. & Iron 82½; U. S Leather 16¼; do. preferred 75¾; Western Union 86½.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 26.—Rosin steady; strained common to good $1 62½@1 65. Spirits turpentine firm at 53½@54c.

SAVANNAH, January 26.—Spirits turpentine firm at 52c; sales 127 casks; receipts 237 casks; exports 10? casks. Rosin firm; sales 238 barrels; receipts 3,855 barrels; exports 520 barrels.

CHARLESTON, January 26.—Spirits turpentine firm at 51c; no sales. Rosin firm; sales 200 barrels. Quote: B, C, D, $1 25; E, $1 30; F, $1 35; G, $1 40; H, $1 70; I, $1 80; K, $1 90; M, $2 15; N, $2 55; W G, $3 05; W W, $3 55.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 26.—The news from South Africa caused both sides in the cotton market to pause and carefully consider this new phase in the situation. Prices at no time departed from the closing level of yesterday. But while fluctuations were narrow and business tame, there were many reasons for believing that the local contingent was bullish. The market opened steady, with prices two to four points lower, the latter being a sympathetic move with weakness in Liverpool rather than the result of special bear exertion or waning faith on the part of the bull forces. The market at once regained the loss sustained on the call and even scored a slight net advance on heavy purchases for Liverpool and Wall street, after which business tapered off to a local scalping trade. Business gradually settled back to a shade below last night's close and then remained unchanged until near the close, when a slight upturn followed renewed covering. The market closed steady, with prices three points higher to one point lower.

NEW YORK, January 26.—Cotton quiet; middling uplands 8c.

Futures market closed steady: January 7.65, February 7.61, March 7.59, April 7.55, May 7.54, June 7.54, July 7.55, August 7.50, September 6 97, October 6.79, November 6.75, December 6.75.

Spot cotton closed quiet and 1 16c higher; middling uplands 8c; middling gulf 8¼c; sales — bales.

Net receipts 106 bales; gross receipts 1,230 bales; stock 128,668 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 22,846 bales; exports to Great Britain 7,396 bales; exports to France 577 bales; exports to the Continent 21,020 bales; stock 971,999 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 165,571 bales; exports to Great Britain 54,860 bales; exports to France 31,063 bales; exports to the Continent 76,455 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 4,536,631 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,206,446 bales; exports to France 496,495 bales; exports to the Continent 1,433,370 bales.

Jan. 26.—Galveston, firm at 7 9-16c net receipts 5,291 bales; Norfolk, steady at 7¾, net receipts 3,160 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 7¾c, net receipts 1,126 bales; Boston, quiet at 7 15 16c, net receipts 604 bales; Wilmington, firm at 7½c, net receipts 1,581 bales; Philadelphia, firm at 8¼c net receipts 317 bales; Savannah, firm at 7½c, net receipts 3,115 bales; New Orleans, quiet and firm at 7½c, net receipts 3,957 bales; Mobile, dull at 7¼c, net receipts 743 bales; Memphis, quiet and firm at 7 9-16c, net receipts 2,188 bales; Augusta, steady at 7½c, net receipts 559 bales; Charleston, steady at 7½c, net receipts 1,231 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 26.—Flour advanced 5@10c with wheat. Demand also stimulated, but jobbers in most instances wanted to trade on the basis of old asking prices. Minnesota patents $3 80@5 95; winter patents $3 55@3 80; winter straights $3 45; winter low grades $2 20@2 40. Wheat—Spot strong; No 2 red 76½c; options opened strong at ½c advance, influenced by higher cables and cold weather West. The greatest strength was attained in the afternoon, however, on a scare of shorts started by an advance of 60@90 points at Paris and alleged confirmation of crop damage. Closed strong at 1¼c advance: March closed 75¾c; May closed 74¾c; July closed 74¾c. Corn—Spot steady; No. 2, 40¾c; options opened steady with wheat, eased off later through favorable weather news and heavy Chicago selling, but rallied again with wheat in the last hour. Closed firm at unchanged prices. May closed 39¼c. Oats—Spot quiet; No. 2 29¼c; options steady. Lard firmer; Western steam closed $6 27½; refined stronger. Pork firm. Butter steady; Western creamery 21@25c; State dairy 19@24c. Cheese steady; fall made fancy small 12¾@13c; fall made fancy large 12¾@13c. Petroleum steady. Eggs weak; State and Pennsylvania 19c; Western ungraded at mark 14@18c. Freights to Liverpool firm. Cabbage firm; Long Island $4 00@6 00 per 100. Rice steady. Potatoes—Market was steady; New Jersey $1 25@1 75; New York $1 50@1 75; Long Island $1 50@2 00; Jersey sweets $2 50@3 00. Cotton seed oil quiet but fairly steady, market closing unchanged in quotations. Prime crude, in barrels, 32½c; prime summer yellow 35@35½c; off summer yellow nominal; butter grades 37@38c, nominal; prime winter yellow 38c; prime white 37@38c; prime meal $24 00. Coffee—Spot Rio quiet; No. 7 invoice 8¼c; No. 7 jobbing 8¾c; mild steady; Cordova 8¾@12¾. Sugar—Raw firm; centrifugal 96 test 4¾c; molasses sugar 3 11-16c; refined firm but quiet.

CHICAGO, January 26.—The wheat market, inspired by higher Liverpool and Paris cables, cold weather and confirmation of Rosario plague rumors, was active and closed very strong, May 1½c over yesterday. Corn closed a shade depressed, and oats ½c up. Provisions at the close were 2½@7½c improved.

CHICAGO, Jan. 26.—Cash quotations: Flour—Market firm. Wheat—No. 2 spring —; No. 3 spring 63@64c; No. 2 red 68¼@68¾c. Corn—No. 2, 31½ Oats—No. 2 23@23½; No. 2 white 25½ @25¾c; No. 3 white 25@25½c. Pork, per barrel, $9 25@10 65. Lard, per 100 lbs, $5 75@5 92½. Short rib sides, loose, $5 65@5 95. Dry salted shoulders, $5 50@5 75. Short clear sides, boxed, $5 90@6 00. Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 23½.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 January 65¾, 66¼, 65¼, 66¾; May 67⅛@67⅞, 68¼, 67⅛@67⅞, 68¾c; July 68⅜@68⅞, 69¼@69½, 68¾, 69⅜c. Corn—No. 2 January 31, 31¼, 30¾, 31¼c; May 33¼@33¾, 33¼@33¾, 33, 33⅛@33¼; July 33⅞, 33⅞, 33¾@33¾, 33¼@33⅞. Oats—January 22¼, 22¼, 22¼, 22¼c

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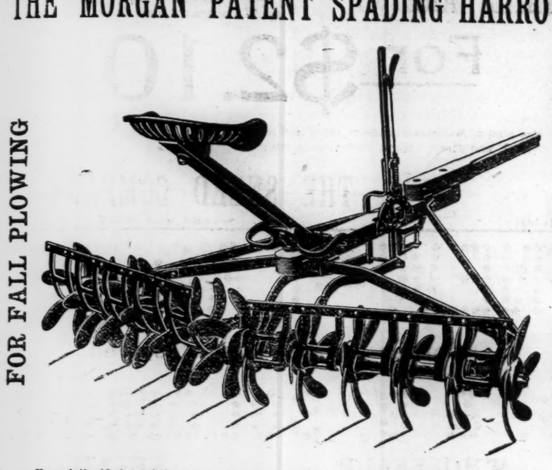

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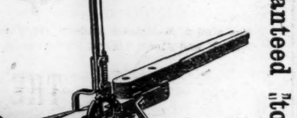

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The Legend of the Roses—The Wise Woodpeckers and the Worms. A Squirrel Party.

The rose of which this story tells is not common in America, but is found in many of the old fashioned gardens of England, with its peculiar petals of white, striped with red.

Many years ago, before America was discovered, there was a great war in England, lasting for a whole lifetime, and it was all to decide whether the Duke of York or the Duke of Lancaster had the best right to the English throne. Both belonged to the royal family, and the rose was then, as now, the royal flower of England, but the Duke of York wore a white rose as his crest and the Duke of Lancaster a red one. It is said that at the beginning of this war all the great men of England went into the great Temple gardens of London and chose for themselves roses, white or red, to show on whose side they intended to fight.

Englishmen fought against Englishmen long and bitterly. Sometimes there were kings of the house of York on the throne, and sometimes the house of Lancaster possessed the crown. The struggle passed from father to son and from son to grandson till Henry VIII, of the line of Lancaster, became king of England and Elizabeth of York, the heiress of the Duke of York, became his wife.

The morning after this wedding, which promised a peaceful and happy settlement of the long struggle, those who walked into the Temple gardens saw a strange sight, for the red and the white roses, so long the emblems of strife, had joined their colors, as the houses of York and Lancaster had joined their hands. The red roses were streaked with white, and the white roses were splashed with red, till no one could tell which color they had been originally.

The War of the Roses was over, and the striped rose is still called the York and Lancaster rose.

Wise Woodpeckers.

A Chicago professor who was in the Maine woods the past summer tells an interesting story of the intelligence of a family of woodpeckers which he encountered near the headwaters of the Allegash and which were most uncommonly bright birds. As every one knows who has observed these birds at all, they feed on the worms which burrow into trees. Any worm with a fair amount of activity can bore a gallery three or four feet long in a tree in a single season, so to find his prey the woodpecker has to make several holes in the tree in order to get at his victim. This particular family of woodpeckers, having some difficulty in getting at the worm after they had drilled a hole into his gallery, proposed to save themselves unnecessary work. And what do you think they did? In the Allegash woods grows the Indian poke, a plant with berries possessing an alkaline juice particularly disagreeable to all animal life, and so these Allegash woodpeckers, having made an entrance into the domain of the borer, proceed next to drop berries of the Indian poke into the opening. And so much does the worm dislike the odor of the poke berries that he comes out to get away from it and incidentally to see who has had the impertinence to cause him so much discomfort. He never gets any farther than the entrance, because Mr. Woodpecker is waiting there, and that worm is gobbled up so quickly that he never knows what has happened to him. This seems like a good deal of a fairy story, doesn't it? But Professor Eastman J. Clarke says he saw it with his own eyes.

Revolutionary Sharpshooters.

The settlement of a new country amid hostile Indians demanded from our colonial grandfathers eternal vigilance and developed in them considerable skill with firearms.

Even the colonial boy, we are told, soon as he was big enough to level a rifle was given powder and ball to shoot squirrels. After a little practice he was required to bring in as many squirrels as he was given charges for the gun under penalty of a severe lecture or even having his jacket "tanned."

At the age of 12 the boy became a fort soldier, with loophole assigned him from which to fight when the settlement was attacked by the Indians.

Growing bolder, he became a hunter of deer, bear and other wild animals and constantly had to pit his life against those of the hostile Indians in the forest.

It is no wonder, therefore, that the men of the Revolution were all expert sharpshooters, whom the British dreaded and the Indians feared. God had been schooling them for their struggles for liberty.—Forward.

A Squirrel Party.

A squirrel most wise was Master Bright Eyes,
Who lived in the old oak tree.
In his overcoat brown, made of fur soft as down,
Ne'er was gentleman trimmer than he.

Now the summer was o'er, and he stood by his door
And planned for his winter's supplies.
In his storehouse neat there'd be plenty to eat,
No taking of him by surprise!

So he toiled hard each day and had no time for play—
He was busy, for here was October—
But he hoped to have fun when his work was done.
'Twould not do to be always so sober.

He'd give a fine feast and invite—well, at least
Twenty squirrels and chipmunks so frisky.
Nuts and berries were stored, but on counting his hoard
He decided the plan might be risky.

Then he sat down to think, and he said, "Just a wink!"
But he must have meant forty, I fear,
For his overcoat snug made so warm a rug
That the party is off till next year.

—S. J. J. D.

What Sleeplessness Means.

Medical scientists, says science Siftings, have now demonstrated that a brain cell actually loses part of its substance during action. The cell of the exhausted brain, instead of being plump and full of nervous matter, is found to be hollowed out, or "vacuolated," a cavity having formed without its substance, which has become filled with water. This means that a part of the cell substance has been actually consumed, precisely as coal is consumed when one gets heat from a furnace.

It has been found that if an animal whose brain cells are thus exhausted be permitted to sleep, its cells readily recuperate, new material is supplied from the blood until the cell is as good as new. The brain of a person, therefore, who is beset by sleeplessness is in the condition of a locomotive which runs night and day without going to the repair shop.

A Disputed Point.

"My long lost brother!" she cried.
"My long lost sister!" he cried.
"Now, look here," interrupted the surprised witness of the happy reunion, "which of you was it that was lost?"—Philadelphia North American.

Belgium is the home of the racing pigeon. There the sport is a national pastime, and a good pigeon frequently wins for its owner large sums of money, the prizes being considerable, to which heavy pools are added.

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The other day an old squatter came to the city and attended divine services at a fashionable church. The old fellow listened with rapt attention to the sermon, occasionally nodding in approval or shaking his head in uncertainty. When a man with the contribution box approached, the squatter asked:

"What's up?"

"We are taking up a collection for the heathen, and as you seemed to be so much interested in the sermon I didn't know but you would like to give a few dimes."

"What's the matter with the heathen?"

"Why, he doesn't know anything about the gospel, and we want to raise money enough to send it to him."

"Wall, I tell yer, I don't think he'll spile afore mornin. I've got a hoss swap on han, an ef I ken get 'nuff boot come aroun an we'll sorter look inter the matter."

"But, my friend, the heathen children need clothes."

"So does mine, by jingo. Bill ain't worn nuthin but a shirt for six months an haster stay outen perlite society. Ike's got a vacancy in his britches biggern yer hat, an Jack haster stay under the house when a stranger comes, 'case he got his clothes scorched durin hog killin. Come aroun arter the swap, fur I don't think the heathen will spile afore mornin."—Arkansas Traveler.

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STATEMENT OF

Atlantic National Bank,

WILMINGTON N. C.

At the Close of Business Dec. 2nd, 1899, Condensed from Report to Comptroller.

RESOURCES.

Loans		$ 868,971.54
Overdrafts		8 79
U. S. Bonds (at par)		95,600.00
Banking House and Fixtures		10,000.00
Due from app'd res've ag'ts	$ 79,160.28	
Due from other banks	169,160.99	
Cash on hand	79,331.51	327,652 78
Total		$1,292,233.11

LIABILITIES.

Capital		$ 125,000.00
Surplus and undivided profits		101,784.40
Circulation		41,040.00
Deposits U. S. Treas.	50,000.00	
Deposits from Banks	207 698 55	
Deposits from Individuals	781,715.16	
Certificates of Deposit	85,000.00	1,021,408.71
Total		$1,292,233.11

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Dec. 2, '97.	Dec. 2, '98.	Dec. 2, '99.
Total deposits	$672,000	$874,500	$1,021,000
Surplus and net profit	75,200	87,500	101,784

Dividends Paid—6 Per Cent. Per Annum.

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A Farm of 250 acres four miles from Greenville, one mile from House station on the Atlantic Coast Line. One hundred and eighty-five acres cleared and in fine state of cultivation. One nice two-story dwelling with six rooms. One cook room and kitchen. One office. One set two-story stables with eight stalls. Two barns. Two tobacco barns. One 16-horse power engine, gin house, gin, press, etc. All necessary machinery attached. All kinds of farming implements, including wagons, carts, tools, etc. Also, four mules and one horse. Will sell all together or the land separate.

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in Long Creek village, Pender county—25 acres cleared, balance well timbered. Four acres in strawberries, 2 acres in apple trees. Fine grape vine. Large two-story house. One good New Store House. All necessary out houses. Two tenant houses. Two miles from Montague, a station on Atlantic and Yadkin Railroad; sixteen miles from Wilmington. Fertile land, in a high state of cultivation. A bargain for somebody.

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One valuable six-room house in Kenansville, Duplin county, N. C., just completed. Known as "Birchwood Cottage," with nice office on lot; also, garden and outbuildings. Located in a desirable part of the town. Kenansville is a pleasant town to live in—famed for its pure spring water and healthy locality. James Sprunt Institute, one of the best schools in the State, is located there.

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One neat three-room House in town of Burgaw, on lot consisting of one and one-half acres. All set out in strawberries except garden and yard.

A desirable building lot in the town of Burgaw, consisting of one-fourth of an acre, fronting railroad, and it is a corner lot.

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A desirable farm at Burgaw. The residence and about one-third of the farm within the corporate limits of the town. About twenty acres cleared; six acres in strawberries; one acre in fruit trees and grape vines. All necessary out-buildings. A nice desirable six-room residence. Farm contains 100 acres.

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A desirable farm of one hundred and fifty acres. Fifty acres is within the corporate limits of the town of Burgaw, N. C. Twenty two acres cleared. There is one nice, new three-room cottage, painted and plastered. Large stables and barns. A tenant's house, and strawberry packing house. A well of very fine drinking water. A nice orchard of 500 young fruit trees, consisting of Japan plums, peaches, pears, apples and figs.

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A desirable farm of 303 acres, three miles east of Rose Hill. Fifty acres cleared and in good state of cultivation, balance well timbered. Four-room house on premises. In good neighborhood. Will exchange for desirable house and lot in Wilmington

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Schedule in Effect March 26th, 1899.

South Bound Daily No. 52.	MAIN LINE.	North Bound Daily No. 53.
6 50 p m	Ar.....Wilmington.....Lv	9 00 a m
3 50 p m	Lv.....Fayetteville.....Ar	12 10 a m
3 45 p m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	12 28 p m
2 30 p m	Lv.....Sanford.....Lv	1 43 p m
12 42 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Lv	3 44 p m
12 18 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	4 18 p m
11 55 a m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	4 35 p m
11 07 a m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	5 19 p m
10 36 a m	Lv.....Walnut Cove.....Lv	5 44 p m
10 09 a m	Lv.....Rural Hall.....Lv	6 13 p m
8 45 a m	Lv.....Mt. Airy.....Ar	7 35 p m

South Bound Daily No. 54.	BENNETTSVILLE.	North Bound Daily No. 55.
8 00 a m	Lv.....Bennettsville.....Ar	7 15 p m
9 07 a m	Lv.....Maxton.....Lv	6 15 p m
9 35 a m	Lv.....Red Springs.....Lv	5 35 p m
10 20 a m	Lv.....Hope Mills.....Lv	4 52 p m
10 40 a m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	4 33 p m

No. 46		No. 47.
South Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.	MADISON BRANCH.	North Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.
5 30 p m	Ar.....Ramseur.....Lv	6 40 a m
3 50 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Ar	9 25 a m
2 40 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	9 17 a m
2 30 p m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	9 35 a m
1 15 p m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	11 07 a m
12 30 p m	Lv.....Madison.....Ar	11 55 a m

Connections at Fayetteville with Atlantic Coast Line, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad, at Greensboro with the Southern Railway Company, at Walnut Cove with the Norfolk and Western Railway.

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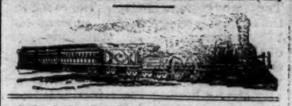

Schedule In Effect Jan. 14, 1900.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND.

DAILY 9.45 A. M. No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.16 A. M., Warsaw 11.59 A. M., Goldsboro 12.21 P. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M. Weldon 4.22 P. M., Petersburg 5.18 P. M., Richmond 7.25 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.20 P. M., Baltimore 1.08 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 6.50 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.20 P. M., Warsaw 8.53 P. M., Goldsboro 9.27 P. M., Wilson 10.20 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.11 P. M. Weldon 1.05 A. M., †Norfolk 10.25 A. M., Petersburg 2.37 A. M., Richmond 5.23 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.20 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M. New York 1.08 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.35 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.55 P. M., Chadbourn 5.38 P. M. Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M. Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M. Denmark 6.12 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.05 P.M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.00 P. M., New York *9.30 P. M., Philadelphia 12.22 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M. Washington 4.50 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 9 48 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.53 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.30 P. M., Warsaw 4.21 P. M., Magnolia 4.55 P. M.

DAILY 9.40 A. M No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 3.00 A. M., Philadelphia 11 53 A. M., Baltimore 1 45 P. M. Washington 3.07 P. M., Richmond 6 48 P. M., Petersburg 7.31 P. M., †Norfolk 3.20 P. M., Weldon 8.58 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.30 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.55 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.25 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.15 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.55 A. M., Marion 10.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.35 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.05 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 6.40 A. M. No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.30 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 3.41 P. M., leave Fayetteville 3.46 P. M.

*Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.15 A. M. Maxton 9.30 A. M., Red Springs 9 53 A. M. Hope Mills 10 42 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 10.55 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4 40 P. M., Hope Mills 4.55 P. M., Red Springs 5.35 P. M. Maxton 6.15 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train leaves Rocky Mount and Richmond leave Rocky Mount 7.00 A. M., arrive Weldon 8.06 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 A. M., arrive Richmond 11.05 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.05 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.53 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 3.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 10 00 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 11.10 A. M., 4.58 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.39 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Nashville 12.15 A. M.; 5.25 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.08 A. M., arrive Latta 10.34 A. M., Dillon 10.56 A. M., Rowland 10.54 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.30 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A. M. Chadbourn 11.50 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 7.13 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M., Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.30 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M., 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.35 A. M.; 5.55 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Hartsville 9.18 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 12.35 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.20 P. M., Bennettsville 9.17 P. M., Gibson 10.30 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.30 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.05 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.00 A. M. Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.00 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.00 A. M., Darlington 6.30 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.58 P. M., 10.15 P. M., arrive Selma 2.45 P. M. 11.10 P. M. Smithfield 3.02 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M. Fayetteville 4.25 P. M., 12.17 A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M. returning leave Rowland 10.38 A. M., Fayetteville 12.20 P. M., 9.55 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.54 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.35 P. M., 11.31 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.35 A. M., Creston 5.19 A. M., arrive Denmark 6.19 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.15 P. M., Sumter 6.03 P. M. Daily.

Trains leave Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning, leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Elliott 10.38 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 2.10 P. M., arrive Elliotts 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

*Daily except Sunday. *Sunday only.

H. M EMERSON,
Gen'l Passenger Agent.

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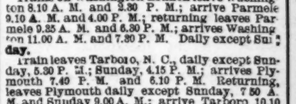
Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 9.



To Take Effect Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1899, at 9 A. M.

GOING EAST. Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro.....	11 05	.....
.....	4 32	Kinston.....	10 12

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, JAN. 27.

DELAWARE'S RECEPTION TO HON. WM. J. BRYAN.

Great Crowds Gather to Meet the Democratic Leader—Addresses to Large Audiences at Several Places.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SMYRNA, DEL., January 26.—William J. Bryan arrived here from Harrisburg shortly after noon to-day and met with a great reception. This afternoon he spoke to a large audience in the Opera House. Mr. Bryan left the Pennsylvania capital at 1 o'clock A. M. and breakfasted at Broad street station, Philadelphia There he was met by Governor Tunnell of Delaware, and Congressman Handy, who accompanied him.

At Wilmington Mr. Bryan received an enthusiastic greeting from about one hundred people assembled at the station. Here former State Controller Turner, of Easton, Maryland, joined the party.

At Middletown a crowd of about a hundred greeted the train and Mr. Bryan stepped upon the platform and shook hands with a party of school girls.

The station at Clayton, where cars were changed, was thronged with people who came out to see Mr. Bryan. He was met by the Kent county Democratic committee and the State Capital Band, of Dover.

Arriving at Smyrna, Mr. Bryan was driven to a hotel. Here he was entertained at luncheon by Gov. Tunnill, together with a number of prominent citizens.

After luncheon Mr. Bryan was driven to the Opera House, which was crowded to the doors. Gov. Tunnill presided and introduced Mr. Bryan. He said he was glad to meet and address the farmers of Delaware, because the issues of the day were of vital importance to them. He told his hearers that the Republican party was not taking care of farmers and that the time had come when no farmers could be members of that party. He said the tiller of the soil was the most helpless, and even if prosperity swept the land and crops were good, the farmer would not get his just dues because the monied men who control trade would not grant the farmer the price he asked for his products. The monied men control the Republican party, he said, because it places the dollar above the man. "This party is run in the interest of the trader and not in the interest of the producer," the speaker continued.

Colonel Bryan then said he wanted to speak to Republicans in particular, and he wanted to show them how the Republican organization was controlled by corporations, and how it is throttling the workmen day by day. He believed the privates in the ranks of the Republican party are honest, but wished to impress them with the fact that they are being misled. Mr. Bryan then took up the income tax question. He spoke of the benefits that would have accrued if that measure had been put on the statute book. "When the Spanish war came on," he said, "the people of the country realized the mistake that had been made by reason of the income tax law being relegated to the rear, and necessitating the creation of the war revenue tax. Instead of the rich being taxed now, a revenue stamp stares the poor in the face every time they buy something."

The speaker presented his well known views on the money question and trusts, and closed his address with a broadside against imperialism, in what he termed "the unjust war against the Filipinos." Hundreds of American lives are being sacrificed he said, with the idea that it would bring us trade.

The return trip from Smyrna to Wilmington was begun at 3 45 P. M. On the way back the party was joined by John F. Saulsbury, who is said to have been the first delegate of the Chicago convention of 1896 to cast a vote for Bryan. The two men proceeded to retell the incident of that memorable occasion. When the train arrived here Mr. Bryan was met by another committee and a band and was escorted to the Clayton House, where he had dinner with a number of prominent Democrats.

The Nebraskan addressed a large and enthusiastic crowd at the Opera House after dinner, closing his address by discussing imperialism: "Some people have said that it is unpatriotic to criticise the President who has a war on his hands. I deny this because it is the right of every American to criticise the public officials."

Mr. Bryan then quoted Abraham Lincoln, who criticised President Polk while the Mexican war was on, and Mr. Bryan added that notwithstanding his criticism Mr. Lincoln was elected President twelve years later.

Mr. Bryan will be in Washington to-morrow.

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT

For the Week Ending Friday, January 27th, 1900.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 27.—The following is the comparative cotton statement for the week ending January 27th:

	1899.	1898.
Net receipts at all U. S ports during the week	165,571	169,409
Total receipts to this date.....	4,526,030	6,611,831
Exports for week..	152,337	174,053
Total exports to date	3,158,311	5,075,448
Stock in all U. S. ports.	971,999	1,080,948
Stock at all interior towns.....	710.000	604,000
Stock in Liverpool,	689,000	1,715,000
American afloat for Great Britain ...	156,000	235,000

TOTAL NET RECEIPTS OF COTTON.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since September 1st, 1899: Galveston, 1 355,611 bales; New Orleans, 1,210 746; Mobile, 153 075; Savannah, 740,754: Charleston, 182,768; Wilmington, 227 524; Norfolk, 273,807; Baltimore, 65,294; New York, 49,953; Boston. 54 158; Newport News, 11,460; Philadelphia, 30,918; Sabine Pass, 11,429; Brunswick, 51,721; Texas City, 11,883; Pensacola. 74 888; Port Arthur, 20,044. Total, 4,526 031 bales.

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WARREN DRIVEN FROM SPION KOP.

An Uneasy Impression in England That Worse News is Yet to Come.

NO REPORT OF CASUALTIES.

Uneasiness As to the Fate of Ladysmith. More Troops to Be Sent from England to South Africa--Boer Report from Kimberley.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, January 27, 4 A. M.—Seven days of fighting have left the main Boer positions intact and General Buller's army 706 men weaker, according to the official casualty lists, which seemingly do not include the Spion Kop losses, as those last forwarded do not mention General Woodgate's wounding.

England is possessed by a depressing sense of failure, though not a word in criticism of her Generals and soldiers is uttered. Not much effort is made to place a happy construction upon General Buller's bare eighteen words telling of the retirement from Spion Kop, and there is an uneasy impression abroad that worse news is yet to come.

At one of the military clubs to night the statement passed from one member to another that the War Office has received an unpleasant supplementary dispatch from General Buller, which was being held up for twelve hours.

Spencer Wilkinson, in the *Morning Post*, writes as follows of the Spion Kop loss:

"This is a serious matter, and an attempt will not here be made to minimize it, for no greater wrong can be done to our people at home than to mislead them about the significance of the events of the war. The right way is to tell the truth, as far as we know it."

But the facts from the neighborhood of Tugela are scantier than ever. The censorship is now simply prohibitive, and something is wrong with the cables. The break on the east coast lines has been repaired, but the cable between San Thome and Loando, on the west coast, is now interrupted.

"More troops," is the only suggestion here as the way to break the Boer resistance. Mr. Wilkinson regrets that General Buller has not 20,000 more men, declaring that if they would not make victory certain, his enterprise without them is hopeless.

The *Spectator*, dealing with the necessity of large additional military preparations, says: "It may be that we have yet another cycle of disasters in front of us."

The transport Assaye arrived at Cape Town last Friday with 2,127 officers and men. The first portion of the Seventh division is afloat. Hence, with the 10,000 men of this division and about 9,000 others now at sea, it lies in the power of Lord Roberts to reinforce General Buller heavily. This course is advised by military writers. Although severely tried, England's nerve is absolutely unshaken, and probably nothing that can happen in South Africa will change in the slightest degree her intention. She will continue to receive bad news, if it comes, with dignity, and will maintain her determination to win at last.

4 A. M.—The morning papers, editorially, advise coolness in judgment and careful avoidance of over estimating the importance of the last position. The *Times* says: "The natural disquietude of the public is increased by the singular vagueness and inconsistency of General Buller's dispatches. There is, indeed, a very singular and somewhat disquieting attitude of detailments in General Buller's comments, as revealed in the *Gazette's* dispatches. For instance, his comment as to the action at Zoulpan's Drift. His remark concerning the probability that British officers would in time learn the value of scouting might probably have come from a foreign military attache, but it is rather more than surprising that it should be thrown out in this casual irresponsible fashion, by the head of the forces, concerning his subordinates, a week or two moreover, after the loss of the guns on the Tugela.

"The consequences of the latest check may be very serious to the gallant Ladysmith garrison. It is impossible to estimate the next movement. It may be that General Buller will be compelled to retire from the ground he has lately won, but in any event we may be sure that the British people will not show themselves wanting in fortitude and steadiness. The government would be well advised to call out immediately all the militia, and to expedite the dispatch of the Eighth division and the Fourth cavalry brigade.

"No doubt Lord Roberts will strain every nerve to enable General Buller to renew the attempt to relieve Ladysmith."

The *Standard* says: "Dr. Leyds was a guest in Paris at President Loubet's banquet on Thursday, where, in consequence, the British ambassador did not attend. M. Delcasse conversed some time with him and it is believed that he has since received him at the Quai d'Orsi. Our Paris correspondent, however, assures us that the French government is determined ta preserve neutrality."

Warren Abandoned Spion Kop.

LONDON, January 26, 11.10 A. M.—The War Office has just posted the following dispatch from General Buller, dated Spearman's Camp, January 25th, noon:

"General Warren's garrison, I am sorry to say, I find this morning, had in the night abandoned Spion Kop."

Under other circumstances the news from Ladysmith, showing greatly improved sanitary conditions, the plentifulness of provisions and the strengthening of the fortifications until the place is regarded as impregnable, would have inspirited the nation; but these good tidings to the British are overshadowed by anxiety as to the situation on the upper Tugela, and the thought that the heavy losses suffered during the struggle Tuesday night have counted for naught. Military circles make no effort to conceal their chagrin, expressing the gravest fears as to the ultimate fate of Ladysmith. Such authorities as Major General Sir Frederick Carrington who is under orders for South Africa and Lord Gifford, who won the Victoria cross while scouting for Lord Wolseley during the Zulu war, would not be surprised to hear of the capture of General White's force within a week.

Lord Gifford, who knows the country like a book, could not understand how in the world General Warren ever got to the top of Spion Kop without ascertaining what positions commanded it.

While General Warren is not blamed for what is supposed to have been heavy shell fire, he is severely criticised for occupying a position to which he could not bring up his artillery.

Situation at Ladysmith.

LADYSMITH, Sunday, January 21, via Frere Camp, Wednesday, January 24.—The garrison is watching General Buller's guns shelling the Boers. Their fire can be seen at this distance and appears to be very effective. The movements of the Boers show that they are evidently determined to stubbornly oppose the advance of the relief column. They show no signs of removing their guns and have mounted new ones and are continually strengthening their fortifications. Our fortifications have been greatly strengthened since January 6th and Ladysmith is now practically impregnable.

Owing to the dry weather the fever has diminished and the number of convalescents returning from the Intombi camp exceeds the number of patients being sent there. The supplies are spinning out splendidly, all the troops having sufficient whole some food. The heat is terrific, the thermometer registering 107 degrees in the shade.

Boer Advices.

PRETORIA, Wednesday, Jan. 24—The Federal forces started a heavy bombardment of Kimberley. The garrison's new gun carried five miles, but collapsed after a few shots.

A body of two hundred Lancers made a sortie from Ladysmith under cover of a heavy cannon and rifle fire from the forts opposite the laager of the Pretoria commando. The British retired with evident loss. One Boer was wounded. A heavy cannonade started this morning and still continues.

Not Time for Intervention.

PARIS, January 26.—The *Echo De Paris* this morning publishes a report of an interview with Dr. Leyds, in which the Transvaal representative denies that Mr. Charles E. Marcum, former United States consul at Pretoria has been entrusted with any mission to President McKinley and says: "It is not time for intervention. We must await events."

Boer and British Losses.

LONDON, Jan. 26.—Special dispatches from Durban say the Boer losses on the upper Tugela during the fighting on Sunday last were very great. General Warren's men captured 160 prisoners and 130 Boers were found dead in one trench.

General Buller reports that the British casualties January 24 were: Killed, officers, six; non commissioned officers and men, eighteen. Wounded, officers, twelve; con commissioned officers and men, 142; missing, 31 men.

More Troops for South Africa.

LONDON, January 26.—Probably as an immediate effect of the receipt of the news of the abandonment of Spion Kop by the British force under General Sir Charles Warren, orders have been sent to Aldershot to have the Fourth cavalry division in readiness to embark for South Africa early in February.

The *Gazette* to-day publishes a number of dispatches from General Buller to the War Office, enclosing reports from Generals White, Hildyard, Methuen and other Generals, regarding their various operations, but containing nothing later than the record of occurrences to the middle of December.

Boers' Last Chance.

LONDON, January 27.—The *Times* publishes the following dispatch from Frere Camp, dated Wednesday morning, and evidently written before the capture of Spion Kop was known. After describing the position of the Boers, who were actively entrenching and bringing fresh guns forward, the correspondent says:

"Their front extends ten miles, and we shall have to try to break it in the middle. Every prisoner says the Boers will never let us reach Ladysmith. This is their last chance of preventing us, for behind this hill lies open country, without a single fortifiable position. Therefore they will strain every nerve to throw us back here."

Falling Back on Pretoria.

DURBAN, January 24.—One hundred and sixty Boers captured during Gen. Buller's recent operations have arrived here. A Free Stater, who is among the recent arrivals, says that President Steyn has been removing his furniture to Pretoria, where several of his officials have taken houses.

It is also reported that no big guns are now left in the Pretoria forts, and that the Boers have exhausted their stock of good Mauser cartridges and are now issuing cartridges formerly condemned by General Joubert. They are said to be manufacturing 12,000 cartridges and 200 shells daily at the dynamite factory.

THE KENTUCKY CONTEST.

Vote to Be Taken in the House That Will Foreshadow the Strength of the Parties.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FRANKFORT, KY., January 26.—To-morrow a vote will be taken in the House of Representatives that is expected to foreshadow with some accuracy the strength that both sides will be able to muster when the gubernatorial contest comes up.

The vote will be on the contest brought by Van Meter, (Democrat) for the seat now held by Berry, both being from Fayette county.

Both the Democrats and Republicans claim to have a majority on the impending vote. There are one hundred members of the House and the Democrats claim at least 52 votes against 47 for the Republicans Berry, the Republican contestee, not being able to vote, as the question is one in which he is personally interested. The Republicans assert that they are absolutely certain that the vote will be at least 51 to 48 in their favor. A vote was taken in the House to-day which forms a slight indication of the result of to morrow's vote, although the leaders of both sides admit that they expect several men to change sides when the Von Meterberry contest comes up. This was on a motion that, in hearing contests, the House go into a committee of the whole, listen to both sides when majority and minority reports are presented, and give each side forty minutes for argument. A motion to table it was lost by 49 to 47. Two Republicans and one Democrat were absent and Speaker Trimble, Democrat, did not vote. Of the 49 votes received by the Republicans, ten were from Democrats.

The city has been quiet all day, without the slightest sign of trouble. There are still quite a number of visiting mountaineers in the city, but they are making no noise.

In case Goebel wins in the Legislature, the Republicans will make an effort to carry the matter to the United States Supreme Court. The Goebel men are anxious to have the matter settled by a joint ballot, and if thus successful, the Republicans will claim that Goebel was chosen illegally, because he did not have a majority of both houses, independently. This possible plan of procedure was announced to-night by an anti-Goebel Democrat. The straight Republicans would not discuss it.

It Saved His Leg.

P. A. Danforth, of LaGrange, Ga. suffered intensely for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg, but writes that Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured it in ten days. For Ulcers, Wounds, Burns, Boils, Pain or Piles, it's the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25 cents. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. †

SHARP FIGHTING WITH FILIPINOS.

Important Ports in the Islands Occupied by U. S. Naval and Military Forces.

SLIGHT LOSS TO AMERICANS.

Gen. Schwan's Operations—Good Work by the Navy—Spanish Prisoners Rescued--Insurgent Forces Defeated With Heavy Loss.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, January 26, 6:45 P. M.—A dispatch from Sorsogon, dated Thursday, January 25th, says Brigadier General Kobbe's expedition has occupied Sorsogon, Donlson, Bulan, Legaspi and Virac, on Catanduans island. The only resistance was at Legaspi, where five Americans were wounded and forty-five dead and fifteen wounded Filipinos were found.

It is estimated that there are 125,000 bales of hemp in these provinces and 75 000 bales in the ports of Sorsogon and Legaspi. The United States gunboat Nashville's shrapnel burned 80,000 bales in Legaspi. The expedition arrived off Sorsogon January 20th and then displayed white flags.

General Kobbe and Colonel Howe, with a battalion of the Forty seventh infantry, landed and raised the United States flag. The insurgent force, numbering 300 men, evacuated the place. The natives were passive.

During the morning of January 23rd the Nashville and Venus, with four companies of the Forty seventh infantry regiment, under Major Shipton, approached Legaspi. Filipino flags were flying and the trenches were crowded. A detachment of 150 picked men, led by Major Shipton, landed on the beach about a mile north of the town. The Nashville bombarded the trenches and the enemy retreated to Albay, whence they were easily dispersed to the hills. About two hundred insurgents, armed with rifles, forced six hundred unwilling villagers, armed with bows and arrows, to serve in the trenches in the close range street fighting before the enemy fled. The Filipino dead were mostly villagers who were attempting to flee.

The expedition will proceed to Samar and Leyte, where the Forty-third infantry and a battalion of the Third artillery will be distributed.

The natives complain of lack of food, resulting from the blockade. They are strongly opposed to the return of the Friars. Native priests are officiating in the churches.

Lieutenant Colonel Webb C. Hayes has defeated an entrenched force of the enemy at Sariaga. One American was killed and five were wounded.

A record of eleven American prisoners was found. Captain Casteel while scouting near Baras, with his company, encountered 400 insurgents. He was reinforced by Captain Gracie and the enemy was driven to Tanay. One American was killed and one was wounded.

Spanish Prisoners Released.

WASHINGTON, January 26.—The progress of the movement inaugurated about three months ago towards the return to Spain of the prisoners released from the Filipinos is reported by General Otis in the following cablegram received at the War Department to day.

"*Manila, January 26.*—Released Spanish prisoners—seventyfour officers, 1,000 enlisted men, twenty two civilian officials, twenty one wives and thirty five children were furnished transportation to Spain yesterday."

THE MOVEMENT OF COTTON.

New Orleans Cotton Exchange Statement Receipts Since September—Total Brought Into Sight.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, January 26.—Secretary Hester's weekly New Orleans Cotton Exchange statement shows a decrease in the movement into sight compared with the seven days ending this date last year, in round figures, 29,000 bales.

The amount brought into sight during the past week has been 194 742 bales against 223,330 for the seven days ending this date last year, and for the 26 days of January it has been 735,084 against 961,629 last year.

The movement since September 1st shows receipts in all United States ports 4,586 307, against 6,641,015 last year. Overland across the Mississippi, Ohio and Potomac rivers, to Northern mills and Canada, 907,371 against 942,288 last year.

Interior stocks in excess of those held at the close of the commercial year, 450,889 bales, against 470,559 last year; Southern mill takings, 692,476, against 633,276 last year.

Foreign exports for the week have been 150,157 bales, against 190,502 last year, making the total thus far for the season 3,201,195 bales, against 5,065,428 last year, a decrease of 1,864,233.

The total takings of American mills, North and South, and Canada, thus far for the season, have been 2,367,920 bales, against 2,166 193 last year. These include 1,656,101 by Northern spinners, against 1 521,335 last year.

Stocks at the seaboard and twenty-nine leading Southern interior centres have decreased during the week 32,245 bales, against a decrease during the corresponding period last season of 80,952 bales.

Including stocks left over at ports and interior towns from the last crop and the number of bales brought into sight thus far for the new crop, the supply to date is 7,256,941 bales, against 8,954,744 bales for the same period last year.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

Agents and Operators Ask an Adjustment of Grievances.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, GA., January 26.—The agents and operators of the Southern Railway have received no response to their telegram sent last night to General Superintendent Barrett, at Washington, asking for an adjustment of alleged grievances. They desire certain increases of pay at some of the stations, rules governing the employment of men, shorter hours and pay for over time, and recognition as a collective body. They claim they are the only branch of the service not benefitted by the restoration of the cut of ten per cent. made several years ago. If no response is received from Mr. Barrett to-morrow morning, a telegram will be sent to General Manager Gannon.

The injunction suit to prevent the consolidation of the Georgia and Alabama and the F. C. and P. railroads is still on in the United States court at Macon, Ga. Arguments will be concluded to-day.

SENATE NOT IN SESSION.

The House Devoted the Day to Eulogies on the Late Vice President Hobart. Other Minor Matters.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, January 26.—The greater portion of the session of the House to-day was devoted to eulogies upon the life and public service of the late Vice President Hobart. The tributes paid to his memory were not the usual perfunctory eulogies, but breathed the love and admiration and respect in which he was universally held. Those who spoke were Messrs. Gardner, Stewart, Parker, Fowler and Daly of New Jersey; Payne of New York; Dalzell and Broseus of Pennsylvania; Richardson of Tennessee, and Griggs of Georgia.

Before the eulogies began the conference report on the Census bill was adopted and an attempt was made to pass a bill to pay the Australsia China Cable Company the cost of repairing the Manila cable, which Dewey cut prior to his great victory. Opposition developed, however, and it went over.

During the discussion Mr. Ray, of New York, pointed out that since the American occupation the company had done more business in a single year than it would have done in twenty years had the war not occurred. Mr. Moody, of Massachusetts, argued that the law of nations was settled that the property of neutrals within the theatre of war operations had to take its chance.

The Urgent Deficiency bill was sent to conference; conferees named being Livingston of Georgia, Barney of Wisconsin, and Cannon of Illinois.

The House at 4 20 P. M. adjourned.

RAVAGES OF THE PLAGUE.

Alarming Reports from New Caledonia—Official Notification of the Disease at Rosario.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

VANCOUVER, B. C., January 26.—From Noumea, New Caledonia, come the most alarming reports of the ravages of the plague, which has been prevalent there since early in December. There were sixteen deaths during the first ten days following the development of the malady. The origin of the plague, an account of which was brought by the Miowera, is attributed to the filthy quarters where a number of Japanese, Tonkiners and Kanakas were lodged. The scourge is believed to be local in origin and all the Kanakas have been isolated on an island adjacent to the town.

Up to December 23rd there has been no deaths among the whites, eight of whom had been infected, but nine Kanakas, two Japanese and five Tonkinese had died of the disease, according to the latest advices.

Much alarm is felt by the residents and business is quite at a standstill. The natives believe the plague is a visitation of providence and that it is wrong to take measures to check the dread disease. Their ignorance and superstition make the labors of the officials doubly arduous.

At Buenos Ayres.

BUENOS AYRES, January 26.—Official notification has been received of the appearance of the bubonic plague at Rosario, on the west bank of the Parana, about two hundred and thirty miles by water northwest of Buenos Ayres.

The government has issued a decree of absolute isolation.

FATAL ACCIDENT AT TARBORO.

Mrs Mark Denton Killed—Her Son and John Manning Injured.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH January 26.—A special to the *News and Observer* from Tarboro, N. C., says:

"This morning as the work train was coming into the depot it struck Mrs. Mark Denton, her young son and John Manning, on the Norfolk and Carolina bridge. Mrs. Denton was killed instantly, but the others escaped with terrible bruises. The child's condition late in the afternoon was very serious. All the parties were on their way to town and were caught by the train on the bridge. Mrs Denton has a husband who lives on the Bate farm near Tarboro."

FIRE IN A FACTORY.

One Employe Missing and Many Others Severely Burned or Injured.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PHILADELPHIA, January 26.—The Angora Manufacturing Company's plant was destroyed by fire this evening and one employe, Lizzie Blackburn, seventeen years old, is missing. Her body is believed to be in the ruins. The factory employed 130 hands in the manufacture of cotton yarns. The fire originated from an overheated machine bearing in the "mule room." Many, panic stricken, were injured by jumping and others severely burned. Loss $150,000, partly covered by insurance.

WARM WIRELETS.

The British steamship Emir cleared yesterday from Norfolk for Manila, with 5,500 tons of Pocahontas coal for the American warships in the Philippines.

Total bank clearings at the principal cities for the week ending yesterday. were $1,609,432,056; a decrease of 24.8 per cent. Outside of New York city, $632,224,778; a decrease of 4.8 per cent.

The steel collier Miami, belonging to the Pacific Coast Company, was wrecked on a reef near Oyster Bay, on the east shore of Vancouver island. She is a total loss. Her entire crew was saved,

The joint committee appointed to invite Hon. W. J. Bryan to address the General Assembly at Richmond, Va., received a reply from Mr. Bryan, saying he will be there for the purpose of making the address some day between the 8th and 15th of February.

The steamer Jamestown, of the Old Dominion line, yesterday morning went aground on Bousk Bluff shoals, about two miles from Lambert's Point. Tugs have been busily engaged since in the effort to float her, but success is not expected until the wind changes and permits the high tide to come in.

The Shanghai correspondent of the London *Times* says: A petition was forwarded by telegram to Pekin, signed by twelve hundred representatives of local Chinese merchants and gentry, begging the princes and ministers of the Tsung Li Yamen to urge the Emperor to reconsider his abdication and to revoke the edict.

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An Escaped Convict Recaptured and Hanged by Citizens.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

DENVER, COL., Jan. 26.—News has just been received here of the capture of Reynolds and Wagner, escaped convicts, and the subsequent escape of Wagner. Reynolds is charged with killing Captain Rooney, of the Colorado penitentiary, at Canon City; Wagner with holding Rooney.

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